

Internet and searches on the Internet, the session ends when the user logs out).

Alternatively, the data may be collected for a plurality of Internet sessions to the appropriate data processing means, for example, the usage time may be collected and transmitted on a daily, weekly, bi-weekly or monthly basis.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

As 1. (Amended) In an Internet use environment, wherein the Internet is accessed by one or more users for purposes related to one or more user client matters, a professional time tracking and reporting system for tracking Internet access time by each said user and for generating reports based on the access time, the system comprising:

a tracker that monitors each said user's Internet access time during an Internet session, wherein the tracker is activated by a successful logon by an active one of the one or more users;

a processor that processes each said user's Internet access time; and

a report generator that generates one or more reports based on the processed Internet access time;

wherein the system functions independently of an Internet service provider that provides the Internet access to the user.

2. (Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising a history module that creates an Internet access history ledger.

3. (Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising a logon module that grants access to the Internet to an active one of the one or more users when the active user provides valid logon information to the logon module.

4. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the one or more reports include information based on one or more pre-determined parameters.

5. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the reports are sorted according to the user client matters.

6. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the reports are sorted according to the active user.

7. (Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising a transmitter for electronically transmitting selected ones of the reports to respective user clients corresponding to the user client matters.

8. (Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising a printer for printing the reports.

9. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is disposed on a personal computer utilized by the active user to access the Internet.

10. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is disposed on a network server that is accessed by the active user for connection to the Internet.

11. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is implemented as software provided on a storage medium, to be executed by a computer.

12. (Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the tracker monitors each said user's Internet access time over a plurality of Internet sessions.

13. (Amended) The system of claim 1, further comprising an analyzer that analyzes a said user's Internet access time according to predetermined parameters.

14. (Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the analyzer further determines an effectiveness of said user's Internet access time, based on the analysis.

15. (Amended) In an Internet use environment, wherein the Internet is accessed by one or more users for purposes related to one or more user client matters, a professional time tracking and reporting method for tracking Internet access time by each said user and for generating reports based on the access time, the method comprising:

receiving logon information from an active one of the one or more users, wherein the logon information includes user information and user client information;
authenticating the logon information;
monitoring each said user's Internet access time during an Internet session;
recording the active user's access time corresponding to the URL for each web page accessed by the user; and
processing the access time and each said corresponding URL to generate one or more reports, wherein the reports are formatted in accordance with predetermined parameters.

16. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein each said report is based on the access time of a single Internet session.

17. (Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein each said report is based on the access time of a plurality of Internet sessions.

18. (Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising generating an invoice, based on the access time corresponding to a user client.

19. (Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising electronically transmitting the invoice to the corresponding user client.

20. (Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising printing the invoice and transmitting the invoice to the user client.

21. (Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising sorting the reports according to user client matter.

22. (Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising sorting the reports according to the active user.

23. (Amended) The method of claim 15, further comprising analyzing a said user's Internet access time according to predetermined parameters, and determining an effectiveness of said user's Internet access time, based on the analysis.

Please add the following new claims:

24. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the system is disposed on a system service provider's computer that communicates with the user via the Internet.

25. (New) The system of claim 3, wherein the valid logon information includes user identification information and user client information.

26. (New) The system of claim 25, wherein the user client information includes client matter information.

27. (New) The system of claim 4, wherein the pre-determined parameters include user client information.
